

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of : FLUORESCENT SILICA-BASED NANOPARTICLES
Appl. No : 10/536,569 Confirmation No. 2178
Applicant : Wiesner et al.
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TC/A.U. : 1639
Examiner : Liu, Sue Xu
Attorney Docket No. : 3026-008
Customer No. : 67272

Commissioner for Patents
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AMENDMENT

Dear Sir/Madam:

This is in response to the election requirement set forth in the Office Action mailed June 25, 2008 (Paper No. 20080621), for which a response is due July 25, 2008. Filed herewith is a Petition and fee for a two month extension of time, thereby extending the deadline for response to September 25, 2008. Accordingly, this response is timely filed.

Further, Applicants make the following amendments, and submit the remarks appearing after the amendments.

please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.